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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Wojtek Halliop et al.  
Serial No.: 10/627,969  
Filed: July 28, 2003  
For: Fuel Cell System with Degradation Protected Anode  
Art Unit: 1745  
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
Confirmation No.: 4083  
Customer No.: 27,623 Attorney Docket No.: 2144.038USU

**Mail Stop Amendment  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION TRANSMITTAL**

We are enclosing a Response to Restriction Requirement and Election in response to the communication dated March 15, 2006 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$120.00 to extend the time for filing this response until May 15, 2006.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

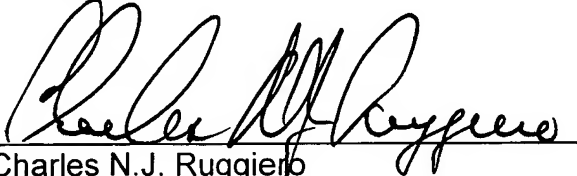
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	40	Minus	44	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	Minus	5	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$360.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 120.00.

**XXX** A check in the amount of \$ 120.00 is attached.

**XXX** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.


May 15, 2006  
Date

  
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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450, ON May 15, 2006.

J. Nicole Smith  
NAME

  
SIGNATURE

May 15, 2006  
DATE